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DEVELOPMENT OF PILGRIM CENTRES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether representations from State Governments including Andhra Pradesh and Orissa have been received by the Union Government to give special assistance for development of pilgrim centres; and

(b) the details of grants sanctioned/released to the State Governments during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SMT. RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a), & (b): Ministry of Tourism in collaboration with the State Governments identifies projects for development of tourist sites/spots under its scheme of Product Infrastructure Development of Circuits and Destinations. The scope of the scheme also includes development of pilgrim centres. The details of Central Financial Assistance sanctioned/released to the States of Andhra Pradesh and Orissa during the last three years are as under:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

State	Year	Amt. Sanctioned	Amt. released
Andhra Pradesh	2002-03	507.50	195.00
	2003-04	946.50	896.44
	2004-05	2827.19(p)	2230.38(p)
Orissa	2002-03	47.50	15.75
	2003-04	419.55	138.50
	2004-05	1320.74(p)	1059.38(p)